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ISTEP+ Applied Skills Sample for Classroom Use
Math – Grade 7
(Constructed-Response)

A student claims that $8x - 2(4 + 3x)$ is equivalent to $3x$.

The student's steps are shown.

Expression: $8x - 2(4 + 3x)$

Step 1: $8x - 8 + 3x$

Step 2: $8x + 3x - 8$

Step 3: $11x - 8$

Step 4: $3x$

Part A

Describe ALL errors in the student's work.

Part B

If the errors in the student's work are corrected, what will be the final expression?

Show All Work

Expression _____

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Content Standard: 7.AF.1: Apply the properties of operations (e.g., identity, inverse, commutative, associative, distributive properties) to create equivalent linear expressions, including situations that involve factoring (e.g., given $2x - 10$, create an equivalent expression $2(x - 5)$). Justify each step in the process.			
Process Standards: 3, 7			
Calculator: Yes			
Item Type: Extended-Response	Pts: 4	DOK: 3	Grade: 7

Exemplary Response:

In Step 1, the student did not apply the distributive property correctly. The student forgot to multiply -2 and $3x$. In Step 4, the student should not have subtracted 8 from $11x$ because they are not like terms.

OR

Other valid descriptions of the errors

AND

$$2x - 8$$

Sample Process:

$$8x - 2(4 + 3x)$$

$$8x - 8 - 6x$$

$$2x - 8$$